

SUPPLEMENTAL EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

This is a supplemental examiner's amendment intended to further amend the claims presented in the Notice of Allowance mailed 2/5/2010.

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in an email correspondence with Cato Yang on 5/3/2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

25. (currently amended) The method of claim 2423, wherein a ~~second~~-circuit is provided for displaying the global position of the point on the anatomical structure.

76. (currently amended) The method of claim 7574, wherein a ~~second~~-circuit is provided for displaying the global position of the point on the object.

127. (cancelled)

128. (cancelled)

129. (cancelled)

130. (cancelled)

131. (cancelled)

138. (new) The method of claim 137, wherein the small incision opening is less than 10 centimeters in length.

139. (new) The method of claim 137, wherein the small incision opening is less than 5 centimeters.

140. (new) The method of claim 137, wherein the small incision opening is between about 2.5 centimeters and about 5 centimeters.

141. (new) The method of claim 137, wherein the small incision is made in a region of a knee of the patient's body.

142. (new) The method of claim 137, wherein the small incision is made in a region of a hip of the patient's body.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ELMER CHAO whose telephone number is (571)272-0674. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thurs 11am-9pm.

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